

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Kent MALMGREN et al.

Application No.: 09/651,130

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Title: ABSORBENT FOAM MATERIAL, A METHOD OF PRODUCING IT AND AN ABSORBENT
STRUCTURE CONTAINING SAID FOAM MATERIAL

MAIL STOP RCE

Group Art.Unit: 1771

Examiner: Victor S. Chang

Confirmation No.: 1064

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

MAIL STOP RCE
 Commissioner for Patents
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Customer Number **21839**

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the
 \$395.00 (2801) \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

1. A. Applicant(s) requests that my previously submitted _____ be considered.
 Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified in item 2 below.

B. Applicant(s) previously submitted the following documents for which continued examination is requested:

Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____

Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

Other: _____

2. The following documents are enclosed with this submission:

Amendment/Reply.
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
 Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).
 A Petition for Extension of Time.
 Other: Letter re new attorney docket number _____

Attorney Docket No. 1010315-000092
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3. Small entity status is hereby claimed.
 No additional claim fee is required.
 The fee is calculated below on the basis of the highest number of claims already paid for in this application prior to this submission:

CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims		Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Examination Fee (1801)					\$ 790.00
Total Claims	14	MINUS 20 =	0	x \$50.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	4	MINUS 4 =	0	x \$200.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$360.00 (1203)					
Total Fee					\$ 790.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					\$ 0.00
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$ 790.00

4. A check in the amount of _____ is enclosed for the fee due.
 5. Charge _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
 6. Charge \$ 790.00 to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
 7. Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _____ which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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